Chapter 1 – The Vanishing

Rain hammered the dark streets of Ravencroft City.
Detective Lucas Kane, one of the finest investigators in the department, had been chasing a notorious serial killer for months — someone the press called "The Whisperer".

Then, one stormy night, Lucas vanished.
Witnesses said they saw him fall off the Blackridge Bridge into the freezing river below. The currents were violent, and after a week of searching… no body was found.

The city assumed he drowned. The case was closed.

But the killings didn’t stop.

Chapter 2 – A New Murder

Two years later, Detective Ethan Cole stood in front of a dimly lit alley. A young woman had been murdered — throat slit, a strange mark carved into her wrist:
"S7"

“Same symbol as before,” Ethan muttered, taking a photo.

Next to the body was a folded note:

> “Not all who drown… die.”

Chapter 3 – Suspect

The police arrested Adam Miller, a quiet librarian who happened to live two blocks from the crime scene. His fingerprints were found on a broken glass bottle nearby.

“I didn’t do this!” Adam screamed during the interrogation. “You’re making a mistake!”

Detective Ethan leaned back in his chair. “Then explain this,” he said, sliding the folded note across the table.

Adam read it, trembling. “I… I don’t know what this means.”

But Ethan wasn’t convinced. Adam was locked away.

Chapter 4 – Whispers in the Dark

Three months passed. No killings. Everyone thought it was over.

Then, one foggy night, another body appeared. Same mark on the wrist. Another note. This one read:

> “L7U… The game isn’t over.”

Ethan stared at the note, confused. What was L7U?
He didn’t know it was the first hidden letter.

Chapter 5 – The Return

Ethan visited the old evidence room, going through Lucas Kane’s old case files. On the final page of Lucas’s notebook, he found something strange:

> “If I disappear… follow the letters.”

Ethan froze.
Letters? What letters?

The files had strange markings — random letters scattered across the pages. He wrote them down: U… C… A… S… L… but they made no sense to him yet.

Chapter 6 – The Last Crime Scene

The final murder happened on the anniversary of Lucas's "death."

On a deserted rooftop, a man was found tied to a chair, throat slit, the same mark carved deep into his chest.

This time, the killer left a message written in blood on the wall:

> "You were always too late, Ethan."

Ethan dropped the note and looked over the edge of the rooftop, into the same river where Lucas supposedly drowned.

From the mist, he saw a figure watching him.
Tall. Dark coat. Face hidden under a hood.

The figure raised a finger to his lips.
“Shhhh…”

Then vanished into the fog.

Chapter 7- The last lines

The news headline the next morning:

> “Another Murder in Ravencroft. Police Say The Whisperer Is Still Active.”

Ethan stared at the letters one last time: L… U… C… A… S.

His hands shook.
“It can’t be…” he whispered.

And then the final twist:

> “Not all who drown...die”